

OGDEN RIVER WATER RIGHTS ASSOCIATION
DIRECTORS' MEETING
BEN LOMOND HOTEL

December 27, 1967



Directors Present:

Mr. Keith Jensen, Huntsville, Utah
Mr. Clarence Smith, Huntsville, Utah
Mr. James N. Randall, Farr West, Utah
Mr. Horace C. Rhees, 1438 W. Pleasant View Drive, Ogden, Utah
Mr. Haynes R. Fuller, Secretary, Evergreen Ranch, Eden, Utah
Mr. Floyd Barnett, Commissioner, 568 - 16th Street, Ogden, Utah
Mr. Alvin Robson, 2945 West 1900 North, Plain City, Utah
Mr. Edward H. Southwick, Chairman, 1483 Wall Avenue, Ogden, Utah
Mr. Wayne Winegar, Weber Basin Water Cons. Dist., Highway 89 & Hillfield Road

The Ogden River Water Rights Association Directors' meeting was called to order at 12:10 P.M. in the Ben Lomond Motor Hotel. Chairman Southwick presented an agenda for the meeting.

Primary order of business was the consideration for adoption of committee recommendations for assessments.

Minutes and financial statement were read and approved following a call for the motion from the chairman.

Chairman Southwick introduced a discussion of the following recommendations:

RECOMMENDATION #1:

- (1) That there be a new class of assessment being the "exchange class." That the minimum be \$5.00 or twice the lower rate per acre foot for each exchange, whichever is more and that the assessment be made to the owner of the right.

Director Wayne Winegar reviewed the fact that in effect this would result in the following cost:

.015 minimum	\$15.00
Operation & Maintenance	5.60
O.R.W.R.A. Assessment	<u>5.00</u>
(being considered)	
	\$25.60

The possibility of moving exchange rights from Pioneer to Causey Reservoir was favorably discussed. This could let Valley Irrigation Companies participate in certain cases.

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Vice Chairman Keith Jensen moved that we approve item one; seconded by James Randall and passed.

RECOMMENDATION #2

- (2) That the principle of a 5-year average for assessment purposes be maintained by the commissioner for use by the State Engineer.

Motion to approve by Wayne Winegar; seconded by Horace Rhees and approved.

RECOMMENDATION #3

- (3) That the Commissioner determine a list of those who are not now included but who might be included by the committee on the assessment rolls. Place them on rolls if and when they call for the services of the Commissioner.

Commissioner Barnett gave a rundown of drainage areas that are not totally assessed at this time. They included Chicken Creek, Thimbleberry, 4-Mile Creek, Mud Creek and Cold Water Canyon.

Mr. Jensen moved that we put new water users on assessment rolls as they require the services of the Commissioner in years to come. Motion seconded by Clarence Smith; carried.

Director Alvin Robson reported that substitute culinary water has caused neglect of flowing wells which are now running to waste and should have attention in several areas of the lower valley.

RECOMMENDATION #4

- (4) That all reservoir water be assessed at the lower user's rate.

Unanimously approved without comment.

The 1968 budget requirements were outlined by Commissioner Floyd Barnett. He explained that his work load and reimbursement for 1968 could be curtailed allowing for an assistant deputy commissioner during the irrigation season.

Budget for the annual report was increased by \$10.00

Resulting budget is attached herewith.

Floyd Barnett recommended that a deputy water Commissioner be appointed to aid him in the future according to the schedule as previously approved in the budget. After discussion, it was moved by Keith Jensen that the Chairman appoint a committee to screen applicants and make recommendations back to the whole Committee. James Randall seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Director Robson moved that the chair appoint a board of three to present the recommendations at the State Engineer's meeting to be held January 9th at 3:00 P.M. in the City and County Building in Ogden, Utah, as traditionally, the 2nd Tuesday in January. James Randall seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Floyd Barnett received general commendation from the Board for his efficient handling of his duties during the past season.

Mr. Jensen moved that Floyd Barnett be retained as Water Commissioner for 1968; seconded by Clarence Smith and carried.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR 1968

Wayne Winegar moved for retention of the present officers. James Randall seconded the motion to suspend Robert's Rules of Order and the present officers were retained by acclamation. Unanimous approval followed.

Officers for 1968 are:

Edward H. Southwick	Chairman
Keith Jensen	Vice Chairman
Haynes Fuller	Secretary-Treasurer

A move by James Randall to carry out the business of the association at the January 9th meeting was seconded by Wayne Winegar and passed.

Director Jensen called the Board's attention to the fact that fluctuation in river flow from Causey to very low levels has caused complaints from stockmen who experienced a loss of stock water when natural flow was reduced to a point where there was no longer a live stream in the channel. This difficulty was to receive immediate attention.

Meeting adjourned.

Haynes E. Fuller
Secretary-Treasurer
Ogden River Water Rights Assoc.